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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.114,  
for the above-identified application.**TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE**1. Prosecution on this application being closed (under either appeal, final action, notice of  
allowance, or other prosecution closing action), this request is being submitted prior to the  
earliest of:

- i. ☒ Abandonment of the application.
- ii. ☒ Payment of issue fee, or
- iii. ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.313 has been granted.
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    - ☐ the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.
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A copy ☐ is or ☐ is not provided herein.
  - iv. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. §1.98) with information list and 0 hard copy reference(s).
  - v. ☐ New arguments or new evidence in support of patentability.
  - vi. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

FEE FOR REQUEST REQUIRED BY 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)

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